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OF

PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

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IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1894.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," up to the 28th day of February, 1894: also of Proceedings up to same date, under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1883–1891," and under "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Acts, 1885, 1888, and 1891," and "The Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—Fair Rent.

(a.) In Court.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st January, 1894, . .	176,808		Rents Fixed—		
Applications received in month of February, 1894, . .	169	176,977	By Chief Commission to 31st January, 1894, .	4,092	
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st Jan., 1894, .	8,998		" in month of February, 1894, . . .	26	4,118
Do. in month of February, 1894, . . .	17	9,015	By Sub-Commissions to 31st January, 1894, .	152,567	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st January, 1894, ...	28,700		" in month of February, 1894, . . .	230	152,797
Applications received in month of February, 1894, . . .	14	28,714	Dismissed and struck out—		
Number of Cases under the "Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891," which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents† to 31st January, 1894,	587		By Chief Commission to 31st January, 1894, . .	2,402	
" received in February, 1894,	6	593	" in month of February, 1894, . . .	—	2,402
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st January, 1894, ...	1,337		By Sub-Commissions to 31st January, 1894, .	39,950	
Do. in month of February, 1894, . . .	2	1,339	" in month of February, 1894, . . .	53	40,003
			Withdrawn*—		
			By Chief Commission to 31st January, 1894, .	5,391	
			" in month of February, 1894, . . .	5	5,396
			By Sub-Commissions to 31st January, 1894, .	8,961	
			" in month of February, 1894, . . .	2	8,963
Total, .	—	218,638	Total disposed of, .	—	213,679

(b.) Out of Court.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 33, fixing Fair Rent to 31st January, 1894, ...	114,428
Do., do. in month of February, 1894, ...	113
Total, ...	114,541

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

† These cases are also included in Redemption of Rent, Table (IX.), page 6.

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II.—Miscellaneous Originating Notices.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (*e.g.*, Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 31st January, 1894, . .	1,331		Number disposed of to 31st Jan., 1894, .	2,186
Applications received in month of February, 1894,	10	1,341	„ in month of February, 1894, .	8
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (*e.g.*, Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st January, 1894,	30			
Do. in month of February, 1894, . . .	—	30		
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 81) received to 31st January, 1894, .	1,041			
Applications in month of Feby., 1894, ...	—	1,041		
Total, . . .	—	2,412	Total disposed of, . .	2,194

* The first notice of Application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—Applications by Lessee or Grantee to have Lease or Grant executed since 1st January, 1869, declared Void ("Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887,"—sec. 2.—" Form 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,†	55	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st Jan., 1894,	22	
		„ in month of Feb., 1894, . .	—	22
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1894, . .	30	
		„ in month of Feb., 1894, . .	—	30
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 31st January, 1894, .	3	
		„ in month of Feb., 1894, . .	—	3
Total, .	55	Total disposed of, .	—	55

† The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—Applications by Middleman claiming to be entitled to surrender his Holding under sec. 8 of "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887."—Form 83.

Number of Applications received to 31st January, 1894,	13		Applications granted to 31st Jan., 1894, . . .	2	
„ in month of February, 1894, . . .	—	13	„ in month of February, 1894, . . .	—	2
„ Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st January, 1894, .	3		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1894, . . .	9	
„ in month of February, 1894, . . .	—		„ in month of February, 1894, . . .	—	9
		3	Applications withdrawn to 31st January, 1894, .	3	
			„ in month of February, 1894, . . .	—	3
Total, .	—	16	Total disposed of, .	—	14

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V.—Proceedings under the Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1883–1891.

Applications received to 31st Jan., 1894,	3,630	Rents fixed to 31st Jan., 1894,	3,037	
" in February, 1894,	2	" in February, 1894,	3	3,040
		Applications dismissed, struck out, and withdrawn to 31st Jan., 1894,	337	
		" in February, 1894,	1	338
Total,	3,632	Total disposed of,	—	3,378

VI.—Appeals *re* Fair Rents, &c.

Number of Appeals lodged to 31st Jan., 1894,	41,924	Number heard to 31st Jan., 1894,	20,900	
" in month of February, 1894,	283	" in month of February, 1894,	38	20,938
		Number dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1894,	801	
		" in month of February, 1894,	—	801
		Number withdrawn to 31st Jan., 1894,	18,944	
		" in month of February, 1894,	14	18,958
		Total Number disposed of,	—	40,697
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	1,510
Total,	42,207	Total,	—	42,207

VII.—Purchase of Land (Ireland) Acts, 1885 and 1888.

—	Number.	Amount.
		£
Loans applied for to 31st January, 1894,	29,335	11,378,932
" in February, 1894,	—	—
	29,335	11,378,932
Deduct Applications refused,	3,299	1,314,970
	26,036	10,063,962
Loans sanctioned to 31st January, 1894,	25,450	9,889,356
Less amount in cases since rescinded by Order of Court,	14	3,260
	25,436	9,886,096
Loans sanctioned in month of February, 1894,	37	7,824
	25,473	9,893,920
Loans issued to 31st January, 1894,	23,676	9,460,864
" in February, 1894,	78	47,148
	23,754	9,508,012

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VIII.—Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1891.

	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount
		£		£
Loans applied for to 31st Jan., 1894, ...	4,309	1,544,221		
„ in February, 1894, ...	172	63,881	4,481	1,608,102
Loans applied for in cases of Purchase of Estates to 31st January, 1894, ...	1,418	324,072		
„ in February, 1894, ...	35	20,203	1,453	344,275
Total number of Loans applied for to 31st January, 1894, .	—	—	5,934	1,952,377
Less applications refused to 28th February, 1894, .	397	162,361		
„ „ and withdrawn in cases of Purchase of Estates to 28th February, 1894,	419	76,681	816	239,042
Loans sanctioned to 31st January, 1894, ...	2,991	1,087,315	5,118	1,713,335
„ in February, 1894, ...	287	98,314	3,278	1,185,629
Loans sanctioned in cases of Purchase of Estates to 31st January, 1894, ...	501	118,175		
„ in February, 1894, ...	107	12,339	608	130,514
Total number of Loans sanctioned to 31st January, 1894, .	—	—	3,886	1,315,143
Less applications rescinded by Order of Court to 28th February, 1894, ...	9	6,674		
„ in cases of Purchase of Estates, by Order of Court to 28th February, 1894, .	34	11,073	43	17,747
Loans issued to 31st January, 1894, ...	1,860	696,396	3,843	1,298,396
„ in February, ...	162	57,551	2,022	753,947
„ in cases of Purchase of Estates to 31st January, 1894, ...	310	79,098		
„ in February, 1894, ...	82	11,206	392	90,304
„ in cases under the Redemption of Rent Act, to 31st January, 1894, ...	7	11,381		
„ in February, 1894, ...	1	1,100	8	12,481
			2,422	856,732

IX.—Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891.

Applications received to 31st January, 1894, ...	764	Number of cases in which Consents to Redemption of Rent have been received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to 31st January, 1894, .	140	
„ received in February, 1894,	4	Deduct Applications recorded under this head subsequently remitted to have a Fair Rent Fixed by Order of Court, .	1	
			139	
		„ received in February, 1894, .	2	141
		Number of cases in which no Consents were received and which were treated as applications to fix Fair Rents* to 31st January, 1894, . .	587	
		Deduct Application recorded under this head in which a consent to Redemption of Rent was subsequently received by Order of Court, .	1	
			586	
		„ received in February, 1894, . .	6	592
				733
		Number of cases in which applications have been received but where time for lodgment of consent has not expired,	—	35
Total, ...	758	Total, ...	—	768

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CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1894.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 28th day of February, 1894.

I.—Fair Rent.

(a.) In Court.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st January, 1894, . .	27,949		Rents fixed to 31st Jan., 1894,	15,359	
Applications received in month of February, 1894, ...	97	28,046	" in month of Feb., 1894, . . .	102	15,461
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 31st January, 1894,	4,037		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1894, . . .	3,058	
Applications received in month of February, 1894, ...	8	4,045	" in month of Feb., 1894, . . .	18	3,076
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending, to 31st Jan., 1894, .	2,213		Applications withdrawn* to 31st Jan., 1894, . .	319	
Applications received in month of February, 1894, ...	1	2,214	" in month of Feb., 1894, . . .	—	319
			Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st Jan., 1894, . . .	10,335	
			" in month of Feb., 1894, . . .	19	10,354
Total, . . .	—	34,305	Total disposed of, .	—	29,210

(b.) Out of Court.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 33, fixing Fair Rent to 31st January, 1894, . .	7,161
Do., do. in month of February, 1894, . .	—
Total, ...	7,161

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

II.—Miscellaneous Originating Notices.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (*e.g.*, Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 31st January, 1894, . .	494		Number disposed of to 31st January, 1894, .	222	
Applications received in month of February, 1894,	3	497	" in month of Feb., 1894, . . .	—	222
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 81), received to 31st January, 1894, . .	3		Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st Jan., 1894, ...	30	
Applications received in month of February, 1894, . .	—	3	Transferred in month of Feb., 1894, ...	—	30
Total, . . .	—	500	Total disposed of, .	—	252

† The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of leases or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

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III.—Applications by Lessee or Grantee to have Lease or Grant executed since 1st January, 1869, declared Void ("Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887,"—sec. 2).—Form 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,* . . .	6	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st Jan., 1894,	—	
		„ in month of Feb., 1894,	—	—
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1894, . .	6	
		„ in month of Feb., 1894,	—	6
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 31st January, 1894, .	—	
		„ in month of Feb., 1894,	—	—
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st January, 1894, .	—	
		„ in month of Feb., 1894,	—	—
Total, . . .	6	Total disposed of, .	—	6

* The time Limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—Applications by Middleman claiming to be entitled to surrender his holding under sec. 8 of "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887."—Form 83.

Number of Applications received to 31st January, 1894, . .	22	Applications granted to 31st Jan., 1894, . .	3	
„ in month of February, 1894,	—	„ in month of Feb., 1894,	—	3
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1894, . .	4	
		„ in month of Feb., 1894,	—	4
		Applications withdrawn to 31st January, 1894,	1	
		„ in month of Feb., 1894,	—	1
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st January, 1894,	3	
		„ in month of Feb., 1894,	—	3
Total, . .	22	Total disposed of, .	—	11

Irish Land Commission,
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